

February 22, 2001

Mr. Dale Schepers  
Division Manager  
Water and Wastewater  
City of College Station  
P.O. Box 9960  
College Station, TX 77842

Subject: City of College Station  
Lick Creek WWTP Expansion Project  
Recommendation of Award and Change Order No. 1

Dear Mr. Schepers:

On February 6, 2001, bids for the Lick Creek WWTP Expansion and Carters Creek WWTP Improvements were received. Two bids were received and are summarized below:

Bryan Construction Company	\$10,533,500.00
Acklam Construction Company	\$13,351,725.00
	(\$13,126,725.00)*

\*As part of the bid package, Acklam Construction noted a \$225,000 deduct from the total base bid.

The summary of these bids are attached to this letter.

The Engineer's construction cost estimate was \$10,123,000.00.

The project was advertised through construction plan rooms in Bryan, Austin, Waco and Houston. In addition, we directly contacted ten (10) general contractors who we thought would be interested in the project. We had five (5) general contractors purchase plans and specifications and four (4) general contractors attend the pre-bid meeting. However, only two bids were received. It has been our recent experience with the current economic environment in the State of Texas, that on water/wastewater facility projects bid in Brazos County that only a limited number of contractors submit a bid. It is our opinion that due to the lack of competition, the overall project costs are slightly higher than anticipated. However, we do not believe that rebidding the project would result in more competition or better prices.

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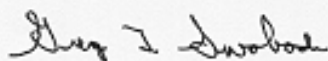
As you are aware, Bryan Construction Company is a local contractor in the Bryan/College Station area. Bryan Construction Company has completed numerous municipal water and wastewater facilities. Furthermore, Bryan Construction Company has completed several projects at the Carters Creek WWTP including the improvements, which were completed in 1996. Based on our past experience with Bryan Construction Company we believe that they are capable of satisfactorily constructing the Lick Creek WWTP Expansion and Carters Creek WWTP Improvements project. Therefore, we recommend that the City of College Station award the Lick Creek WWTP Expansion and Carters Creek WWTP Improvements contract to Bryan Construction Company in the amount of \$10,533,500.00.

In order to reduce the cost of the project, discussions with Bryan Construction Company have produced items to decrease the costs. These items are listed as an attachment to Change Order No. 1. Change Order No. 1 is attached to this letter.

With the total credit of Change Order No. 1 of \$342,140.00 the project cost has been reduced to \$10,191,360.00 (\$10,533,500.00 - \$342,140.00).

If you have any questions or comments, please let me know.

Sincerely,  
CAMP DRESSER & McKEE INC.



Greg T. Swoboda, P.E.  
Project Manager

xc: Allen Woelke, CDM

ATTACHMENT

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